

Amendments to the Specification

5 Please cancel the amendment previously requested in the Reply mailed June 17, 2003, to the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 12, and ending on page 9, line 14.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 12, and ending on page 9, line 14, by the following amended paragraph.

10 — — The polymeric thickener should be used in an amount sufficient to thicken the composition to the desired thickness, in general 0.1 to 12% by weight based on the oil, for example 2-10% by weight based on the composition. The amount of the polymeric thickener preferably used varies with the application. It is usually unnecessary to use more than 10% of the total composition, e.g. 3-10%, and smaller amounts such as 0.3
15 to 7%, for example about 5%, are often effective. -- --